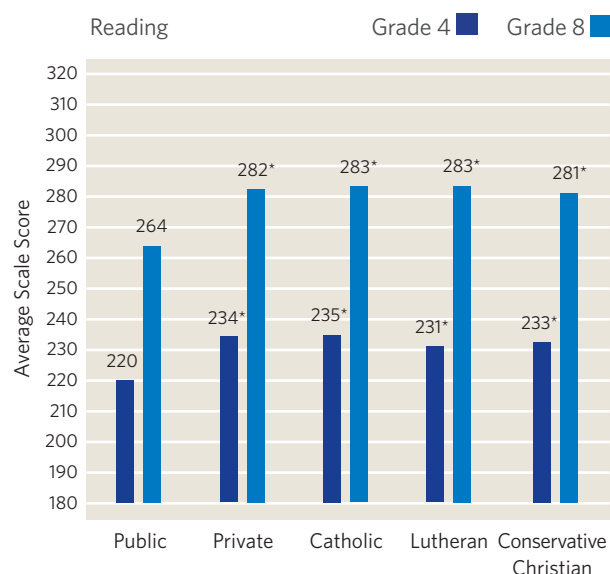
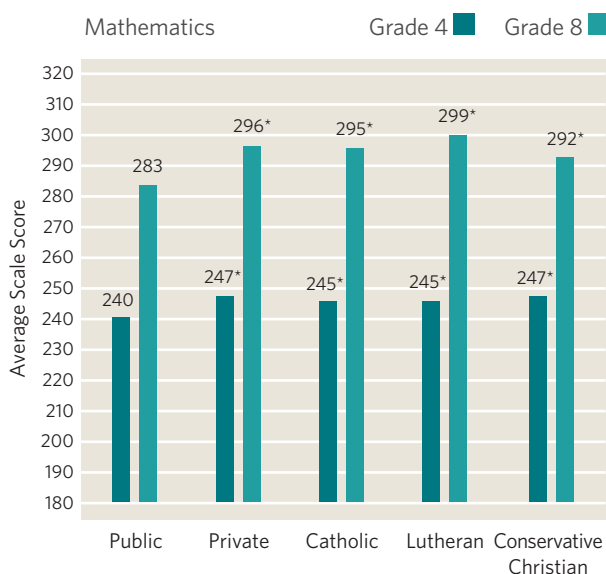


NAEP Results for Private Schools

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is an essential measurement of student achievement in both public and private schools. It is the largest nationally representative assessment of what the nation's students know and can do in core subjects such as mathematics, reading, science, social studies, and writing.

The schools and students selected to take the assessment represent the diversity of the nation's students and schools. NAEP assesses a representative sample of private school students at grades 4, 8, and 12. Several different breakdowns of private school results are available depending on the year and the rate of participation. NAEP 2011 results for private schools are reported by Catholic, Lutheran, Conservative Christian and other private schools.

In 2011 students from private schools on average outperformed students from public schools in mathematics and reading achievement at both grades 4 and 8. Students from Catholic, Lutheran, and Conservative Christian schools on average performed higher than public school students.

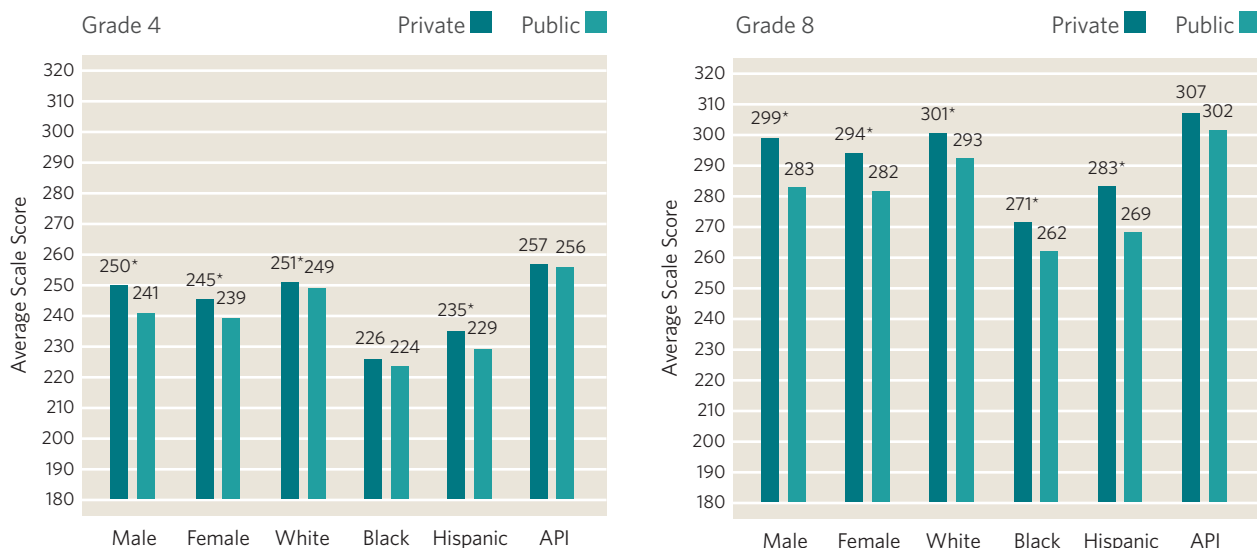


* Significantly different ($p < .05$) from public schools within the same grade. NAEP scale scores in mathematics and reading range from 0 to 500.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2011 Mathematics and Reading Assessments.

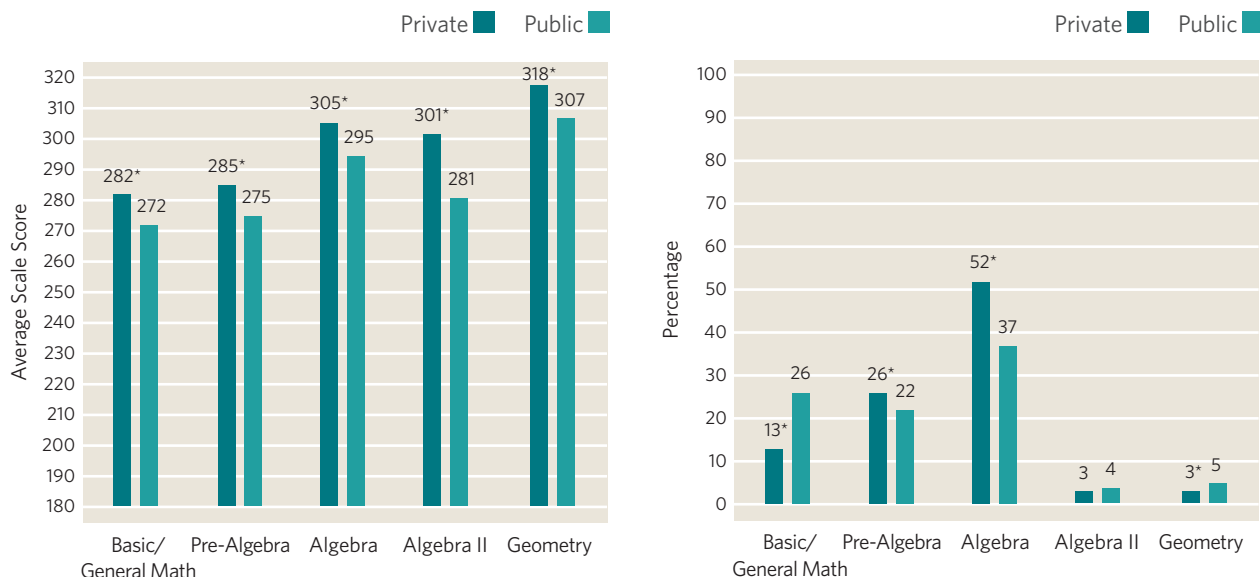
Mathematics Private School NAEP Data

In 2011 male and female private school students on average scored higher than their counterparts in public schools in both grades 4 and 8. Within race/ethnicity subgroups, private school students outperformed public school students on average within the White and Hispanic groups at grade 4 and within the White, Black and Hispanic groups at grade 8. There were no significant differences in the performance of private school and public school Asian/Pacific Islander (API) students at grades 4 and 8 or for Black students at grade 4.



Student Coursetaking - Grade 8

Students in public schools and private schools taking a course of algebra scored on average higher than students taking courses below algebra. The percentage of private school students taking algebra (52%) was higher than that of public school students (37%). In addition to assessing subject-area achievement, NAEP collects information that provides context for reporting student performance. Students, teachers, and school administrators provide information on various factors that may influence achievement.

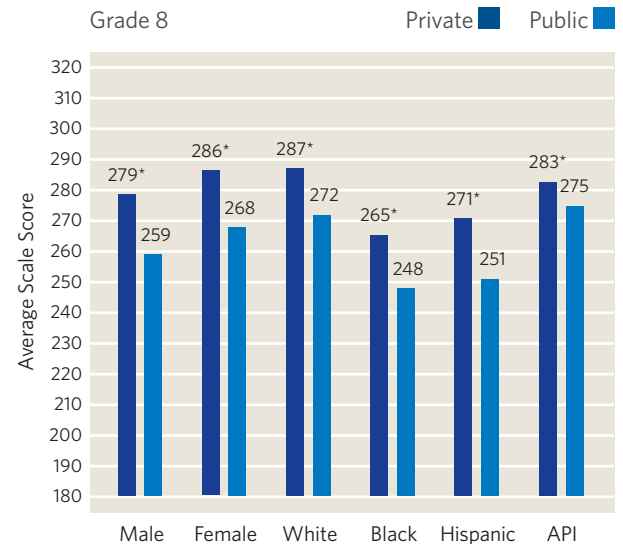
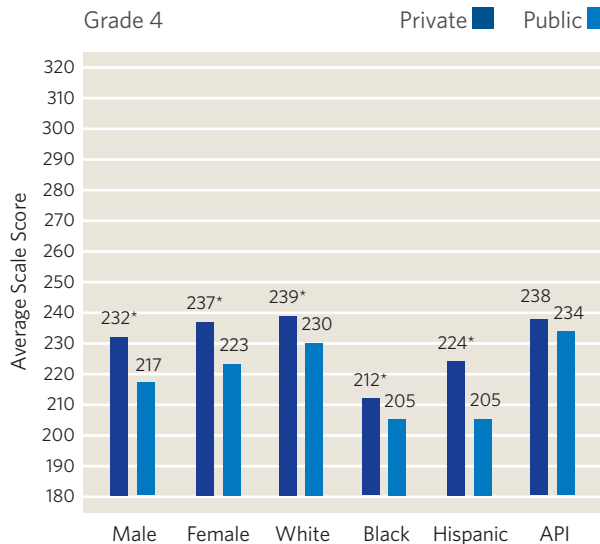


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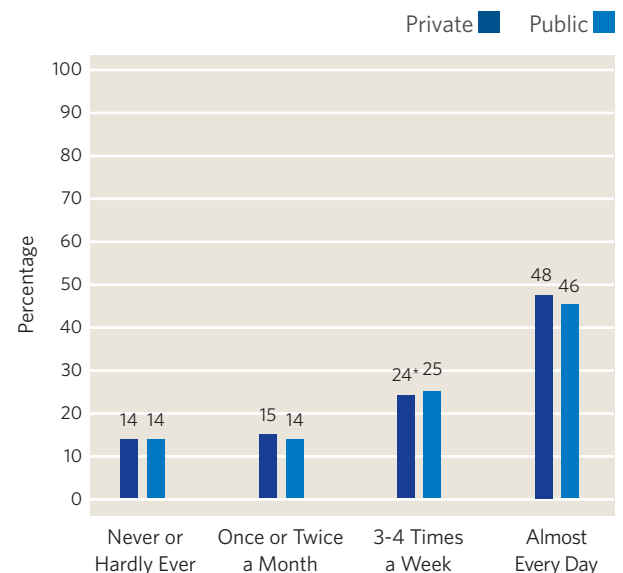
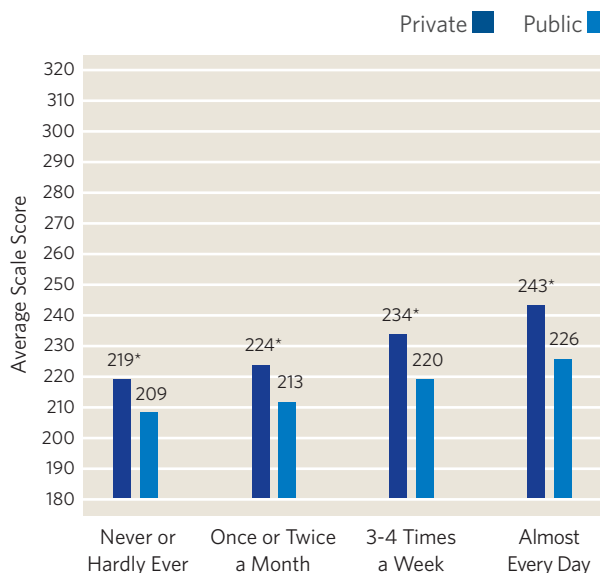
Reading Private School NAEP Data

In 2011 male and female private school students on average scored higher than their counterparts in public schools in both grades 4 and 8. Within race/ethnicity subgroups, private school students on average outperformed public school students within the White, Black, and Hispanic groups at grade 4. There were no significant differences in the performance of private school and public school Asian/Pacific Islander students at grade 4. Grade 8 private school students on average scored higher than public school students within all race/ethnicity subgroups.



Reading for Fun on Your Own Time - Grade 4

Students in public schools and private schools who responded that they read for fun on their own time almost every day on average scored higher than those who responded differently. Students in private schools on average scored higher than students in public schools regardless of how often they read for fun. The percentage of students responding that they read for fun almost every day does not differ significantly between private school students (48%) and public school students (46%).



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Accessing NAEP Data

NAEP provides access to private school data online, and analyses can be conducted using NAEP tools. To access results for private schools, follow the steps outlined below.

Step 1

Go to <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard>.

Step 2

In the search box at the top left of the screen, (see picture below) type in “nonpublic schools.” Nonpublic schools include private schools and schools under the authority of the Department of Defense or the Bureau of Indian Education.

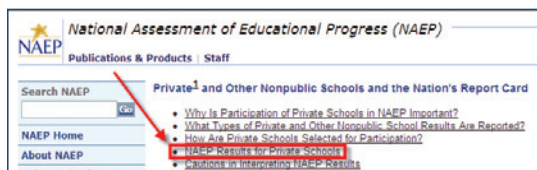


Step 3

Click on the first link at the top of the search results list: “NAEP – Private and Other Nonpublic Schools and the Nation’s Report Card.”

Step 4

Select “NAEP Results for Private Schools.”



Step 5

Click on the Private School Quick Data tool link to open in a new window (shown below). Explore relevant data by clicking on the Private School Quick Data tool or scroll further down for results by content area. (Note: The 2-category variable includes private schools overall, and the 7-category variable includes Catholic, Lutheran, and Conservative Christian.)

A screenshot of the "Private School Quick Data" tool interface. It has four dropdown menus: "Select subject", "Select variable", "Select grade", and "Select statistic". There is a "show table" button at the bottom right.

Step 6

Select the data available by subject and grade. NAEP data are available for the following subjects: civics, economics, geography, mathematics, music, reading, science, U.S. history, visual arts, and writing.

Step 7

View the results.

A screenshot of the NAEP Data Explorer (NDE) interface. It shows the "MAIN NDE" tab with a "Select Criteria" dropdown menu. The "Subject, Grade" dropdown is set to "Mathematics, Grade 4". The "Jurisdiction" dropdown is set to "National". The "Measure" dropdown is set to "Composite scale". The "Variable" dropdown is set to "Public or private school, 2 categories". The "Year" dropdown is set to "2011, 2009, 2007, 2005, 2003, 2001, 1999, 1997, 1995, 1993, 1991". The "Select Report" dropdown is set to "Report 1". The "Export Reports" button is visible. Below the dropdowns, there is a table showing the average scale scores for mathematics, grade 4 by year, jurisdiction and public or private school, 2 categories: 2011, 2009, 2007, 2005, 2003, 2001, 1999, 1997, 1995, 1993, 1991.

Year	Jurisdiction	Average scale score	Standard Error	Private	Standard Error
2011	National	240	(5.2)	247	(5.8)
2009	National	239	(5.2)	246	(5.8)

Additional Data Tools

For more specific results and an overview of NAEP data for private schools, you can access the NAEP Data Explorer (NDE), which provides detailed results from NAEP assessments. The data are based on information gathered from students, teachers, and schools who participated in NAEP assessments.

To access the NDE, go to <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/naepdata>.